

The following sums were received from the Supervisors of the Revenue, by the Treasurer of the United States, during the year 1800, viz.

| | On account of the Internal Revenue. | On account of the direct tax of two millions of dollars. |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| In the first quarter, - - - - - | \$228,450 61 | \$194,217 13 |
| Second ditto, - - - - - | 253,372 22 | 170,034 35 |
| Third ditto, - - - - - | 243,260 78 | 93,058 71 |
| Fourth ditto, - - - - - | 323,003 82 | 77,033 19 |
| | \$1,048,087 43 | \$534,343 38 |

Which sums were received from the following Districts, viz:

| | On account of the Internal Revenue. | On account of the Direct tax. |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| New Hampshire, - - - - - | \$16,236 81 | \$13,426 68 |
| Massachusetts, - - - - - | 228,742 01 | 73,250 00 |
| Rhode Island, - - - - - | 30,788 70 | 7,050 00 |
| Connecticut, - - - - - | 36,844 97 | 4,400 00 |
| Vermont, - - - - - | 2,294 00 | 8,137 30 |
| New York, - - - - - | 123,302 89 | 117,720 57 |
| New Jersey, - - - - - | 22,801 08 | 17,713 30 |
| Pennsylvania, - - - - - | 214,179 33 | 54,549 55 |
| Delaware, - - - - - | 7,188 17 | 5,468 00 |
| Maryland, - - - - - | 96,438 22 | 73,000 00 |
| Virginia, - - - - - | 135,055 14 | 154,531 24 |
| Ohio, - - - - - | 16,128 58 | 4,000 00 |
| Tennessee, - - - - - | 8,814 62 | 1,096 74 |
| North Carolina, - - - - - | 44,939 79 | - - |
| South Carolina, - - - - - | 54,687 16 | - - |
| Georgia, - - - - - | 9,646 02 | - - |
| Total, | \$1,048,087 43 | \$534,343 38 |

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Revenue Office, December 29, 1802.
WILLIAM MILLER, Jr., Commissioner of the Revenue.

7th CONGRESS.] No. 191. [2d Session.

MINT.

COMMUNICATED TO CONGRESS, JANUARY 11, 1803.

Gentlemen of the Senate
and of the House of Representatives:
I transmit you a report, received from the Director of the Mint, on the subject of that institution.
January 11, 1803. TH: JEFFERSON.

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES, 1st January, 1803.

The Director of the Mint of the United States begs leave respectfully to make his annual report on the issues and state of the mint.
He is happy to inform the President that the bullion, deposited in the mint during the past year, has far exceeded what was expected at the beginning of it, notwithstanding the considerable check given to deposits, for some time, by frequent reports from the seat of Government, during the last session of Congress, that the mint would be abolished.
Since the 1st day of January, 1802, there has been issued from the mint a sum, amounting, in the whole, to five hundred and sixteen thousand one hundred and fifteen dollars and eighty-three cents, as will appear in detail by schedule No. 1, hereunto annexed, which have been added to the current coin of the Union. Of this sum, one hundred and twenty nine thousand seven hundred and thirty dollars and ninety one cents, in value, in gold, have been coined from bullion and gold dust imported into the United States, and collected to the mint, as a centre, from the different parts of the Union. The balance of the gold coinage has been coined from clipped, plugged, and

otherwise spoiled foreign coins, which have been sent to the mint as bullion. Had not this whole sum been coined in the United States, it must have been remitted to the European markets, in which case the freight, insurance, and commissions, with the profits on the cents, would have amounted to a sum nearly equal to the current expenditures of the mint.

All these deposits were private property, the certificates for which were sold, generally, as soon as given, to the banks in this city, at a fourth and a half per cent. discount for the delay of coinage. The banks are fond of keeping the coin in their vaults, as part of their capitals, on account of the ease with which they are counted, without the trouble of weighing. The Bank of the United States, indeed, having a considerable part of their specie in this coin, have been enabled, for some time past, to cancel their five dollar notes, and to substitute the payment of half eagles, by which our coins begin to be more generally dispersed among the people.

There have never been any of the precious metals coined on account of the Government of the United States. Comparative issues from the mint, for several years past, will appear by schedule No. 2, also hereunto annexed. The current expenses of the mint, for the past year, have amounted to seventeen thousand four hundred and sixty-two dollars and sixty-five cents, as will appear from schedule No. 3, from which the profits on the copper coinage, amounting to \$5,644 33 should be deducted. Besides the cents on hand, we have near twenty-four tons of copper-planchettes ready for striking; the coinage of which are in daily operation, at the rate of fifteen thousand cents a day.

It is a duty incumbent upon the Director of the Mint respectfully to call the President's attention to the expiration of the law of the United States, for continuing the mint at Philadelphia, on the 4th of March next, by its own limitation. It, therefore, becomes absolutely necessary that the subject should be brought before Congress, so early, that provision may be made for the contingency. If Congress should rise without doing any thing therein, the mint could not be continued in Philadelphia, with propriety; neither could it be removed to the seat of Government, for want of a law to authorize it.

It is but doing justice to merit to say, that the officers of the mint, concerned in the coinage, and the workmen, have greatly increased in their professional knowledge, and have acquitted themselves with strict integrity, and particular attention to their several departments, for many years past; so that not a dollar has been lost, except in one solitary instance, when the culprit was detected by their assiduity and care, prosecuted and punished, and it was by their exertions that the mint was kept open during the late distress of the city, by the fever of last summer.

If the mint should remain in its present situation, there will be a necessity of, at least, two additional horses, and some repairs to the machinery—part of it having been repaired, the past year, from necessity. At least five hundred dollars will be necessary, in that case, to be added to the usual estimate, to be appropriated for the purchase of horses, and further repairs to the present machinery.

All which is respectfully submitted to the President, by his very obedient and humble servant,

ELIAS BOUDINOT, *Director.*

To the PRESIDENT of the United States.

An abstract of the Coins struck at the Mint of the United States, from 1st January to 31st December, 1802.

GOLD COINS.

| | Eagles. | Half Eagles. | Quarter Eagl's | Dollars. | Totals. |
|----------------------------------|---------|--------------|----------------|----------|------------|
| Quarter ending 31st March, 1802, | 4,416 | 10,076 | - | 94,540 | |
| Do. 30th June, do. | - | 42,748 | - | 213,740 | |
| Do. 30th September, do. | 6,789 | 352 | 1,654 | 73,785 | |
| Do. 31st December, do. | 3,885 | - | 958 | 41,285 | |
| | 15,090 | 53,176 | 2,612 | | |
| Total amount of Gold Coins, | | | | | 423,350 00 |

SILVER COINS.

| | Dollars. | Half Dollars. | Dimes. | Half Dimes. | Dollars. Cts. | |
|----------------------------------|----------|---------------|--------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| Quarter ending 31st March, 1801, | 9,841 | 7,910 | - | 2,550 | 13,923 50 | |
| Do. do. 30th June, do. | 957 | - | 10,975 | 10,460 | 2,577 50 | |
| Do. do. 30th Sept. do. | 8,710 | - | - | - | 8,710 00 | |
| Do. do. 31st Dec. do. | 22,142 | 21,980 | - | - | 33,132 00 | |
| | 41,650 | 29,890 | 10,975 | 13,010 | | |
| Total amount of Silver Coins, | | | | | | 58,343 00 |

COPPER COINS.

| | Cents. | Half Cents. | Dolls. Cts. | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Quarter ending 31st March, 1801, | 976,600 | - | 9,766 00 | |
| Do. do. 30th June, do. | 1,004,000 | - | 10,040 00 | |
| Do. do. 30th Sept. do. | 861,000 | 8,200 | 8,651 00 | |
| Do. do. 31st Dec. do. | 593,500 | 6,166 | 5,965 83 | |
| | 3,435,100 | 14,366 | | |
| Total amount of Copper Coins, | | | | 34,422 83 |
| Total amount of Coins issued by the mint, from 1st January, to 31st December, 1802, inclusive, | | | | \$516,115 83 |

Comparative statement of the coins issued by the Mint of the United States, from the year 1798 to 1802, inclusive, viz.

| | | Dollars. | Gold. | Silver. | Copper. | Totals. |
|------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|
| 1798 | 7,974 eagles, | - 79,740 | 205,610 | 330,291 | 9,797 | 545,698 00 |
| | 24,867 half ditto, | - 124,335 | | | | |
| | 614 quarter eagles, | - 1,535 | | | | |
| | 327,536 dollars, | - 327,536 | | | | |
| | 27,550 dimes, | - 2,755 | | | | |
| | 979,700 cents, | - - | - - | - - | | |
| 1799 | 17,483 eagles, | - 174,830 | 213,285 | 423,515 | 9,106 68 | 645,906 68 |
| | 7,451 half ditto, | - 37,255 | | | | |
| | 480 quarter ditto, | - 1,200 | | | | |
| | 423,515 dollars, | - - | | | | |
| | 904,585 cents, | - - | | | | |
| | 12,167 half cents, | - - | - - | - - | | |
| 1800 | 25,965 eagles, | - - | 317,760 | 224,296 | 29,279 40 | 571,335 40 |
| | 11,622 half eagles, | - - | | | | |
| | 220,920 dollars, | - - | | | | |
| | 21,760 dimes, | - - | | | | |
| | 24,000 half dimes, | - - | | | | |
| | 2,822,175 cents, | - - | - - | - - | | |
| | 211,530 half cents, | - - | - - | - - | | |
| 1801 | 29,254 eagles, | - - | 422,570 | 74,758 | 13,628 37 | 510,956 37 |
| | 26,006 half eagles, | - - | | | | |
| | 54,454 dollars, | - - | | | | |
| | 30,289 half dollars, | - - | | | | |
| | 34,640 dimes, | - - | | | | |
| | 33,910 half dimes, | - - | - - | - - | | |
| | 1,362,837 cents, | - - | - - | - - | | |
| 1802 | 15,090 eagles, | - - | 423,350 | 58,343 | 34,422 83 | 516,115 83 |
| | 53,176 half eagles, | - - | | | | |
| | 2,612 quarter eagles, | - - | | | | |
| | 41,650 dollars, | - - | | | | |
| | 29,890 half dollars, | - - | | | | |
| | 10,975 dimes, | - - | - - | - - | | |
| | 13,010 half dimes, | - - | - - | - - | | |
| | 3,435,100 cents, | - - | - - | - - | | |
| | 14,366 half cents, | - - | - - | - - | | |
| | | | 1,582,575 | 1,111,203 | 96,234 28 | 2,790,012 28 |

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES, *Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, 31st December, 1802.*

For BENJ. RUSH,
G. EHRENZELLER.

An Abstract of the Expenditures of the Mint of the United States, from 1st January to 31st December, 1802, inclusive.

| | Salaries. | Wages. | Incidental. | Totals. |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| Quarter ending March, 1802, | \$2,650 | \$1,460 27 | \$141 42 | \$4,251 69 |
| June, | 2,650 | 1,434 23 | 192 41 | 4,276 64 |
| September, | 2,650 | 1,508 28 | 225 97 | 4,384 25 |
| December, | 2,660 | 1,436 67 | 463 40 | 4,550 07 |
| Dollars, | 10,600 | 5,839 45 | 1,023 20 | |
| Total amount of the expenditures of the mint, during the year 1802, | | | | \$17,462 65 |

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,
Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, 31st December, 1802.

For BENJAMIN RUSH,
G. EHRENZELLER.

A Statement of the gain on Copper coined at the Mint of the United States, from the 1st January to the 31st December, 1802.

| | | | |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| 5,101 13 | Balance remaining in the coiner's hands, uncoined, on the 31st December, 1801, being part of the invoice entered 18th September, 1801, amounting to | 18,741 17 | |
| | On which there was a profit of \$1,918 38. This sum will bear the proportion of said profit, of | | 522 16 |
| 454 03 | Gained in the weight of above copper, per entry of 16th February, 1802, | 454 03 | |
| | Deduct, for an error in invoice, as entered 18th September, 1801, | | |
| 38 16 | Deduct, for returned by chief coiner, in spoiled planchettes and clippings, which will be used for alloying, per entry 14th August, | 11 67 | |
| | | 38 16 | |
| 415 87 | | 49 83 | |
| | | | 404 20 |
| 23,350 41.5 | Amount of invoice entered 22d December, 1801, and delivered to chief coiner on the 20th February, 1802, on which there was a profit, | 3,676 07.5 | |
| | Deduct allowed 4th October, 107 91.5 to coiner for loss in weight. Do. returned 17th November, 36 67 by do. in copper clippings. | | |
| | 144 58.5 144 58.5 | 144 58.5 | |
| 23,205 83 | | | 3,531 49 |
| 10,998 75 | Amount of invoice entered 18th October, 1802, on which there was a profit of | 2,289 43 | |
| 5,298 75 | Deduct, so much remaining yet in the hands of the chief coiner, uncoined, will take a proportion of the above profit, | 1,102 96 | |
| 5,700 00 | | | 1,186 47 |
| 34,422 83 | Amount of copper coined in the year 1802. | | |
| | Amount of profit on coining the above quantity, | | \$5,644 32 |

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,
Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, 31st December, 1802.

For BENJAMIN RUSH,
G. EHRENZELLER.

EXTENSION OF DUTY BONDS.

COMMUNICATED TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, JANUARY 14, 1803.

Mr. RANDOLPH, from the Committee of Ways and Means, who were instructed "to inquire into the expediency of prolonging the terms of payment on bonds due by merchants who may have been sufferers by the late fire at Portsmouth, in New Hampshire," reported the following resolution:
Resolved, That the Committee of Ways and Means be directed to prepare and report a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to suspend, for a limited time, the collection of bonds due to the United States by merchants of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, who have suffered by the late conflagration of that town.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, January 11th, 1803.

SIR: I have the honor to enclose the copy of a letter of the Collector of Portsmouth, in New Hampshire. The calamity which has lately afflicted that town, is so extensive, that, if a decision depended upon me, I would feel inclined to grant the prolongation of credit requested in favor of the sufferers.
I have the honor to be, very respectfully, sir, your obedient servant,
ALBERT GALLATIN.
Hon. S. SMITH, Chairman of the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, DISTRICT OF PORTSMOUTH, December 29, 1802.

SIR: The greatest calamity that ever befel the town of Portsmouth took place on Sunday last, of which the New Hampshire Gazette, now enclosed, gives some of the particulars. The store employed for containing public property, as well as the custom house, was consumed. But I have the satisfaction to inform you, that the books and papers of the custom house were all secured, and the loss sustained was only the stamping press, the scales and weights, and some stores belonging to the revenue cutter. The weights can be restored to use. The office furniture was consumed.
Among the sufferers are several persons indebted to the United States on bonds for duties, which the present calamity will render distressing to them to discharge at the terms they are payable; and it would greatly relieve, and be singularly gratifying, to such, if a prolongation of the term of credit could be authorized by an act of Congress, as it is now in session, and which would tend to evince the continued attention of the Government to relieve the distresses of the People.
I have the honor to be, with perfect respect, sir, your most obedient servant,
JOSEPH WHIPPLE.
The Hon. ALBERT GALLATIN, Esq.

The circumstances which have impeded the collection are numerous; but, as they have been very frequently the subject of discussion, it may not be deemed necessary to revert to all of them, in the present stage of the business. If inaccuracies are observable in any of the tax lists, they may be attributed, in a great degree, to a want of attention among the land holders, to the provisions and injunctions of the acts of Congress, which authorized the valuations, &c.; and no adequate remedy can now be had for this evil.

Although the compensations allowed to the collectors were not complained of in the populous districts, the rates which were originally established were too low for the newly settled parts of the country, and especially where there are large bodies of unproductive land owned by non-residents. As the prospect of an indemnity for their trouble and expenses was not flattering, the difficulty of obtaining good men to undertake the responsibility of collecting, &c. in such cases, was very much increased; and, in some instances, occasioned considerable delay. In some of the populous districts to the eastward, where there are a great number of small taxes for dwelling houses, of the first and second classes, and small lots owned and occupied by indigent persons, with large families, and scarcely any visible property, the trouble has been so much enhanced as to occasion a temporary suspension of the collection, in some instances.

In order to secure to individuals an opportunity of investigating the demands of collectors, a variety of measures were sanctioned by the act of Congress, which are calculated to procrastinate the sales of property, and collection by other compulsory process; but a circumstance which has exceeded all others in delaying the completion of this business, is the tedious period which has been consumed by some of the Boards of commissioners, in making up thereports upon which the assessments in the several States were founded. I have, however, the satisfaction to state, that, notwithstanding the extraordinary difficulties which have attended the sales of land, for unpaid taxes, they appear to have gone pretty generally into effect in Virginia; and as the same objects are maturing in New York, and other States, I trust that the result of the whole business will be ascertained in a very short period.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,
WM. MILLER, *Commissioner of the Revenue.*

The Honorable the Secretary of the Treasury.

7th CONGRESS.]

No. 198.

[2d SESSION.]

MINT.

COMMUNICATED TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, MARCH 3, 1803.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, *March 2d, 1803.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit, herewith, a letter from the Comptroller of the Treasury, of this date, accompanied with sundry statements, which have been prepared in obedience to the act, entitled "An act establishing a mint, and regulating the coins of the United States," passed on the second of April, 1792.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, sir, your obedient servant,
ALBERT GALLATIN.

The Hon. the SPEAKER of the House of Representatives.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, *Comptroller's Office, March 2d, 1803.*

SIR: The statements marked A, B, C, and D, which are herewith laid before you, have been prepared pursuant to the seventh section of an act of Congress, of the second of April, 1792, entitled "An act establishing a mint, and regulating the coins of the United States." These statements contain all the information concerning the transactions of the mint, which the settlements made at the treasury enable me to give.

I have the honor to be, with great respect, your obedient servant,
G. DUVALL.

The Hon. ALBERT GALLATIN, Esq.

A.

Statement of appropriations made by law for the Mint establishment, for the year 1802, with the amount of warrants drawn by the Secretary of the Treasury on said appropriations.

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|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Amount of warrants drawn on the Treasurer in favor of the mint, for the services for the year 1802, *\$37,027 72 | Balance of the several appropriations for the mint establishment, unexpended on the 1st January, 1802, - - | \$41,187 21 |
| Balance unexpended on 1st January, 1803, 29,535 49 | Acts respecting the mint, dated 27th May, 1796, and 24th April, 1800: | |
| | For amount of cents and half cents paid into the treasury in the year 1802, - - | 14,476 00 |
| | An act making appropriations for the support of Government, for the year 1802, passed 1st May, 1802, - - | 10,900 00 |
| | | <u>\$66,563 21</u> |

*This sum includes a warrant for \$4,000, drawn in January, 1803, which is accounted for by the treasurer of the mint in 1802; the unexpended balance, therefore, exhibited on the treasury books, is \$ 33,535 49.

A—Continued.

Statement of appropriations made by law for the payment of the salaries of the officers and clerks of the Mint, for the year 1802.

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Amount of warrants drawn on the Treasurer of the United States, for the salaries of the officers and clerks of the mint, for the year 1802, \$10,600 00 | Balance unexpended on the 1st January, 1802, \$6 94 |
| Balance unexpended on the 1st January, 1803, - - - - - 6 94 | An act making appropriations for the support of Government, for the year 1802, 10,600 00 |
| | <u>\$10,606 94</u> |

A—Continued.

Statement of the application of moneys advanced from the Treasury of the United States, for the support of the Mint establishment, from the 1st January to the 31st December, 1802.

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|------------|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| The moneys paid by the treasurer of the mint, on warrants drawn by him on the Director, and admitted by the accounting officers of the treasury of the United States, on the adjustment of his accounts, were as follow, viz: | | | | | Balance to be accounted for by Benjamin Rush, treasurer of the mint, on the 1st January 1802, | | \$3,869 51 |
| <i>Incidental and contingent expenses, and repairs of the Mint.</i> | | | | | <i>Advanced from the Treasury for said establishment, viz.</i> | | |
| For six thousand eight hundred and sixty-two dollars and sixty-five cents, being the amount expended for the requisite repairs, apparatus, machines, wages of workmen, and other expenses: | | | | | For the salaries of the officers and clerks, | | 10,600 00 |
| Paid in the first quarter, | | | \$1,601 69 | | For the purchase of copper, and the incidental and contingent expenses, | \$37,027 72 | |
| Paid in the second quarter, | | | 1,626 64 | | Deduct this sum, for which Tench Francis, late purveyor, is charged, | 1,811 63 | |
| Paid in the third quarter, | | | 1,734 25 | | | | 35,216 09 |
| Paid in the fourth quarter, | | | 1,900 07 | | | | |
| <i>Copper purchased for coinage.</i> | | | | \$6,862 65 | | | |
| For twenty thousand three hundred and forty-four dollars and seventy-six cents, being the amount of the cost and charges of copper purchased for coinage: | | | | | | | |
| <i>Pounds.</i> | | | | | | | |
| 26,397 Purchased from 1st July to 30th September, | | | 8,709 32 | | | | |
| 41,118 Purchased from 1st October to 31st December, | | | 13,386 16 | | | | |
| Loss on three bills of exchange remitted to London for the purchase of copper, | | | 167 68 | | | | |
| 67,515 | | | | | | | |
| 9,591 Deduct this sum, being the amount of 9591 lbs. of rough copper sold, | | | 22,263 16 | | | | |
| 57,924 | | | | | | | |
| Also this sum gained on two bills of exchange remitted to London, | | | 1,918 37 | | | | |
| <i>Salaries of the officers and clerks of the Mint.</i> | | | | 20,344 79 | | | |
| Paid in the first quarter, | | | 2,650 00 | | | | |
| Paid in the second quarter, | | | 2,650 00 | | | | |
| Paid in the third quarter, | | | 2,650 00 | | | | |
| Paid in the fourth quarter, | | | 2,650 00 | | | | |
| <i>Wastage in the coinage of Gold and Silver.</i> | | | | 10,600 00 | | | |
| Applied to make good deficiencies arising from wastage in the coinage of gold and silver, per Auditor's report, No. 13,985, | | | | 1,792 99 | | | |
| Balance to be accounted for by the treasurer of the mint, on the 1st January, 1803, per report, No. 14,115, | | | | 10,085 17 | | | |
| | | | | \$49,685 60 | | | \$49,685 60 |

B.

An Abstract Statement of the settlement at the Treasury, of the accounts of the Treasurer of the Mint, from January 1st, to December 31st, 1802, exhibiting the balance, in bullion, for which he remained accountable on the last settlement, and also the deposits of Bullion, value of Coins paid, allowance for wastage, and balance remaining in the hands of the Officers of the Mint, and in the Bank of the United States.

| PERIOD OF SETTLEMENT. | | BALANCE WHICH REMAINED TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR, DECEMBER 31, 1801, CONSISTING OF | | | | | | | DEPOSITES IN STANDARD | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| FROM | TO | Gold in the hands of the Officers of the Mint, and Commissioners of Inspection. | | Silver in the hands of the Officers of the Mint, and Commissioners of Inspection. | | Coins in the Bank of the United States. | | Total value of balance. | Gold. | |
| | | Weight. | Value. | Weight. | Value. | Of Gold. | Of Silver. | | Weight. | Value. |
| | | oz. dwt. gr. | Dolls. Cts. | oz. dwt. gr. | Dolls. Cts. | Dolls. Cts. | Dolls. Cts. | | oz. dwt. gr. | Dolls. Cts. |
| January 1, 1802, | December 31, 1802. | 43 06 17 | 770 03½ | 169 18 19 | 195 87 | 3 56 | 8,445 81 | 9,415 27½ | 23,894 11 19 | 424,792 59 |

B—Continued.

| DEPOSITES IN STANDARD | | | Total value of Balance and Deposites. | COINS OF GOLD AND SILVER MADE AT THE MINT. | | | | | | | | | | VALUE OF COINS PAID AT THE MINT. | | Total value of Coins paid. |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------|----------|------------------|--------|----------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| Silver. | | Total value of Deposites. | | Gold. | | | | Silver. | | | | | Gold. | Silver. | | |
| Weight. | Value. | | | Weight. | Eagles. | Half Eagles. | Quarter Eagles. | Weight. | Dollars. | Half Dollars. | Dimes. | Half Dimes. | | | | |
| oz. dwt. gr. | Dolls. Cts. | Dolls. Cts. | Dolls. Cts. | oz. dwt. gr. | No. | No. | No. | oz. dwt. gr. | No. | No. | No. | No. | Dolls. Cts. | Dolls. Cts. | Dolls. Cts. | |
| 50,982 10 0 | 58,825 92 | 483,618 51 | 493,033 78½ | 23,811 3 18 | 15,090 | 53,434 | 1,654 | 50,563 18 16 | 41,650 | 29,890 | 10,995 | 13,010 | 423,383 88 | 66,819 52½ | 490,203 40½ | |

-B-Continued.

| ALLOWANCE FOR WASTAGE. | | | | | BALANCE TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR. | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------|
| Gold. | | Silver. | | Total Value of allowance for Wastage. | In the hands of the Chief Coiner. | | | | | In the hands of the Melter and Refiner. | |
| | | | | | Gold. | | Silver. | | Total Value. | Gold. | |
| Weight. | Value. | Weight. | Value. | | Weight. | Value. | Weight. | Value. | | Weight. | Value. |
| oz. dwt. gr. | Dolls. Cts. | oz. dwt. gr. | Dolls. Cts. | Dolls. Cts. | oz. dwt. gr. | Dolls. Cts. | oz. dwt. gr. | Dolls. Cts. | Dolls. Cts. | oz. dwt. gr. | Dolls. Cts. |
| 89 12 13 | 1,593 36½ | 211 2 12 | 243 60½ | 1,836 97 | 28 19 6 | 461 32 | 177 17 12 | 205 00½ | 666 32½ | 0 14 20 | 12 94 |

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| BALANCE TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------------------------------|----------|--------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| In the hands of the Melter and Refiner. | | | In the hands of the Commissioners of Inspection, for Assay Pieces. | | | | | Coins in the Bank of the United States. | | | Total amount of balances to be accounted for. | | |
| Silver. | | Total Value. | Gold. | | Silver. | | Total Value. | Gold. | Silver. | Total Value. | Gold. | Silver. | Total Value. |
| Weight. | Value. | | Weight. | Value. | Weight. | Value. | | | | | | | |
| oz. dwt. gr. | Dolls. Cts. | | oz. dwt. gr. | Dolls. Cts. | oz. dwt. gr. | Dolls. Cts. | | | | | | | |
| 186 19 0 | 215 69½ | 228 63½ | 10 8 3 | 185 00 | 12 11 3 | 14 48½ | 187 23½ | 367 38½ | 1,324 57 | 1,691 95½ | 1,026 64½ | 1,759 75½ | 2,786 40 |

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Register's Office, February 18th, 1803.

JOSEPH NOURSE, Register.

C.

Dr. { *Mint of the United States, for Copper Coinage, shewing the amount purchased and coined, from the first of January to the 31st December, 1802, and the profit arising thereon, from the establishment thereof to the latter period.* } Cr.

| | Avoirdupois weight. | Troy weight. | Cost of Copper. | | Avoirdupois weight. | Troy weight. | Value. |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| | lbs. oz. drms. | lbs. oz. dwt. | Dolls. Cts. | | lbs. oz. drms. | lbs. oz. dwt. | Dolls. Cts. |
| To amount of rough copper and planchettes purchased from the commencement of the institution, to the 31st Dec. 1801, per statement marked C, accompanying the Comptroller's reports of the 25th of April, 1800, and of the 22d March, 1802, - | - | 495,248 08 15 | 135,896 75 | By amount of rough copper and planchettes, accounted for, per statement marked C, accompanying the Comptroller's reports of the 25th April, 1800, and 22d March, 1802, - | - | 409,987 03 10 | 126,568 39 |
| This sum, charged for the purchase of planchettes, in the quarter ending 30th September, - | 26,397 | 32,079 08 05 | 8,709 32 | By amount of cents and half cents charged to the treasurer of the United States, in the quarter ending 31st March, - | - | 28,484 02 00 | 9,766 00 |
| This sum, charged for the purchase of ditto, in the quarter ending 31st December, - | 41,118 | 49,969 09 09 | 13,553 84 | Do. do. do. 30th June, - | - | 29,283 04 00 | 10,040 00 |
| | | | | Do. do. do. 30th September, - | - | 25,232 01 00 | 8,651 00 |
| | | | | Do. do. do. 31st December, - | - | 17,400 04 01 | 5,965 83 |
| Deduct this sum gained on the purchase of two bills of exchange below the value at par, - | - | - | 158,159 91 106 74 | Balance of copper clippings and planchettes remaining, viz: | - | 49,969 09 09 | 17,132 50 |
| | | 577,298 02 09 | 158,053 17 | In the hands of the treasurer, - | - | 15,454 08 05 | 5,298 75 |
| Balance, being the amount gained on copper coinage, - | - | - | 25,369 30 | Ditto, chief coiner, - | - | - | - |
| | | 577,298 02 09 | 183,422 47 | Copper supposed to have been used for alloy, for which no account is given, - | - | 575,811 08 05 1,486 06 04 | 183,422 47 |
| | | | | | - | 577,298 02 09 | 183,422 47 |

Although it appears that 324 lbs. 5 oz. 14 dwts. copper clippings have been used during the year 1802, for alloying the precious metals, yet it will be perceived that the quantity, now unaccounted for, is less, by 466 lbs. 9 oz. 2 dwts., than that exhibited on the last statement rendered, and is occasioned by the cents coined being lighter than 7 dwts. each.

D.

Summary Statement exhibiting the value of Coins made at the Mint, the amount of disbursements on account of the establishment; the amount allowed for wastage; the amount retained of deposits, and the amount gained on the coinage of copper.

| | | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|
| Value of gold, silver, and copper coins made at the mint, to the 31st December, 1801, per summary statement, marked A, accompanying the Comptroller's report of the 22d March, 1802. | . | . | \$3,045,091 94 |
| Ditto, of gold coins made from the 1st January to the 31st December, 1802, per statement herewith, marked B, | . | \$423,310 00 | |
| Ditto, of silver coins, do. do. | . | 58,343 00 | |
| Ditto, of copper coins, do. marked C, | . | 34,422 83 | 516,075 83 |
| Total value of gold, silver, and copper coins made to the 31st Dec. 1802, | . | . | 3,561,167 77 |
| Nett charge on the coinage of gold, silver, and copper, to the 31st December, 1801, per statement, marked E, accompanying the Comptroller's report of the 22d March, 1802, | . | 296,957 10 | |
| <i>Deduct the following sums, viz.</i> | | | |
| This sum, being the cost and charges of copper, included in statement marked B, accompanying the Comptroller's report of the 30th January, 1799, | \$34,427 48 | | |
| This sum, do. do. included in statement marked A, accompanying the Comptroller's report of the 25th April, 1800, | 7,110 22 | | |
| This sum, do. do. included in statement marked B, accompanying the said report of the 25th April, 1800, | 12,438 71 | | |
| This sum, do. do. included in statement marked E, accompanying the Comptroller's report of the 22d March, 1802, | 45,318 47 | | |
| Amount of copper, | 99,294 88 | | |
| This sum, being the amount of wastage on the coinage of gold and silver from the commencement of the institution to the 31st December, 1801, per former statements transmitted, | 12,503 03 | 111,797 91 | |
| <i>Add the following sums, viz.</i> | | | |
| This sum, being the amount gained on the coinage of copper, per statement marked C, accompanying the Comptroller's report of the 22d March, 1802, | 19,234 43 | 185,159 19 | |
| This sum, being the amount retained of deposits, from the commencement of the institution to the 31st December, 1801, per former statements transmitted, | 2,149 98 | 21,384 41 | |
| Amount charged for the support of the establishment to 31st December, 1801, | . | . | 206,543 60 |
| Amount charged from the 1st January to the 31st December, 1802, (exclusive of the cost of copper, which amounts, for the year, 1802, to the sum of \$20,344 79) per statement herewith, marked A, | . | . | 17,462 65 |
| Amount of wastage to the 31st December, 1801, as above, | . | 12,503 03 | |
| Ditto, from the 1st January to 31st December, 1802, per statement marked B, herewith, | . | 1,836 97 | |
| Total amount of wastage, | . | 14,340 00 | |
| Deduct this sum, being the amount retained of deposits to 31st December, 1801, as above, | 2,149 98 | | |
| Ditto, this sum, retained of ditto, from January 1st to December 31st, 1802, &c. | 185 92 | | |
| Total amount retained, | . | 2,335 90 | 12,004 70 |
| Total amount of disbursements (not including the cost of copper to the 31st December, 1801, which amounts, as appears above, to \$99,294 88) on account of the establishment from the commencement of the institution to the 31st December, 1802, | . | . | 236,010 95 |
| From the above deduct the gain on copper coinage, from the commencement of the institution to the 31st December, 1802, per statement, marked C, herewith, | . | . | 25,369 30 |
| Nett charge on the coinage of gold, silver, and copper, to the 31st December, 1802, including the cost of lots, buildings, machinery, &c. | . | . | 210,641 65 |

It may be questioned whether a drawback ought to be allowed on the exportation of domestic refined sugar, unless the duties were lessened on the importation of sugar candy and foreign refined sugar. While the prohibitory duties exist on the latter articles, the demand for Fredish [United States] refined sugar, in foreign markets, may raise the price of the article, so as sensibly to affect the consumer of refined sugar at home.

This rise of the price of refined sugar at home and abroad, will, of course, raise the price of brown or crude sugar in our home market; and by the competition between the refiners and the housekeepers, muscovado sugar itself must be paid for at a dearer rate by the citizens, at large, who consume it. Thus the trade will be in danger of being engrossed by the refiners, who, without paying any revenue to Government, raise the price of loaf, lump, and brown sugar, to the consumer.

A good reason does not occur to the committee, wherefore both the treasury of the nation, and the pockets of the individual citizens, should be subjected to greater payments than at present, for promoting the refinery of sugar; and particularly, as the extension of the laws of the United States to Louisiana, presents this subject in an aspect different from any in which it has been viewed before.

The plain principle on which drawbacks are allowed, is that the *identical* article imported, shall be exported according to law. If they are granted upon articles that have undergone a remarkable chemical or mechanical alteration, then they ought to be allowed on all exported cordage formed from imported hemp, on exported rum distilled from imported molasses, and on garments made at the slop shops, and otherwise from imported cloth, and afterwards carried abroad.

In the case of sugar, the committee is inclined to think, that the operation of refining has already been patronised to as great an extent by Government as is consistent with political economy and public good; and under that conviction, they submit to the House their opinion—

That it would be improper, at this time, and under existing laws and regulations, to allow a drawback upon the exportation of domestic refined sugar.

8th CONGRESS.]

No. 211.

[1st Session.

MINT.

COMMUNICATED TO CONGRESS, JANUARY 13, 1804.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States:

The Director of the Mint having made to me his report of the transactions of the mint, for the year 1803, I now lay the same before you, for your information.

TH: JEFFERSON.

January 13, 1804.

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES, *Philadelphia, January 6th, 1804.*

The Director of the Mint of the United States, on the commencement of the new year, respectfully makes the following report of the issues of the mint, from the 1st January, 1803, to the 31st December of the same year.

Notwithstanding the dull prospect at the beginning of the year, coinage, of every kind, amounts, in the whole, to the sum of three hundred and seventy thousand six hundred and ninety-eight dollars and fifty-three cents, as will appear, in detail, by the schedule No. 1, hereunto annexed.

The current expenses of the mint have been reduced to the sum of seventeen thousand seven hundred and five dollars and ninety-five cents, as will appear from schedule No. 2; and the profit on the copper coinage has amounted to five thousand and ninety-five dollars and forty-eight cents, as appears by schedule No. 3.

It appears to be the duty of the Director, respectfully to remind the President, that, in case the loan office in this city should be abolished by law, provision must be made for a commissioner to attend the inspection and assaying the reserved pieces during the past year, on the second Monday in February next, in the room of the Commissioner of Loans, if he should be removed.

All which is respectfully submitted to the President, by his very obedient and very humble servant,

ELIAS BOUDINOT, *Director of the Mint.*

To the PRESIDENT *of the United States.*

An abstract of the Coins struck at the Mint of the United States, from 1st January to 31st December, 1863.

GOLD COINS.

| | Eagles. | Half Eagles. | Quar. Eagles. | Dollars. Cts. | Totals. |
|---------------------------------|---------|--------------|---------------|---------------|------------|
| Quarter ending in March, - - | - | - | 423 | 1,057 50 | |
| Do. June, - - | - | 20,091 | - | 100,453 00 | |
| Do. September, - - | 4,816 | 7,511 | - | 85,715 00 | |
| Do. December, - - | 4,163 | 5,904 | - | 71,150 00 | |
| | 8,979 | 33,506 | 423 | | |
| Total amount of Gold Coins, - - | | | | | 258,377 50 |

ABSTRACT—Continued.

| SILVER COINS. | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|-----------|---------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| | | | | | Dollars. | Half Dollars. | Dimes. | Half Dimes. | Dollars. |
| Quarter ending in March, - | | | | | 37,677 | - | 31,380 | 34,120 | 42,521 |
| Do. June, - | | | | | 16,167 | - | - | - | 16,167 |
| Do. September, - | | | | | - | 31,715 | 1,660 | 3,730 | 16,210 |
| Do. December, - | | | | | 12,220 | - | - | - | 12,220 |
| | | | | | 66,064 | 31,715 | 33,040 | 37,850 | 87,118 |
| Total amount of Silver Coins, - | | | | | | | | | 87,118 00 |
| COPPER COINS. | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Cents. | Half Cents. | Dolls. Cts. | | |
| Quarter ending in March, - | | | | | 882,200 | - | 8,822 00 | | |
| Do. June, - | | | | | 1,843,800 | - | 10,438 00 | | |
| Do. September, - | | | | | 281,353 | 5,900 | 2,843 03 | | |
| Do. December, - | | | | | 264,000 | 92,000 | 3,100 00 | | |
| | | | | | 2,471,353 | 97,900 | | | |
| Total amount of Copper Coins, - | | | | | | | | | 25,203 03 |
| Amount of coins struck at the mint, in 1803, | | | | | | | | | \$370,698 53 |

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES, TREASURER'S OFFICE, PHILADELPHIA, 31st December, 1803.

BENJAMIN RUSH.

An Abstract of the Expenditures of the Mint of the United States, from 1st January to 31st December, 1803.

| | Salaries. | Wages. | Incidental. | Totals. |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| Quarter ending March, 1803, | \$2,650 | \$1,424 97 | \$380 77 | \$4,455 74 |
| June, | 2,650 | 1,408 11 | 505 74 | 4,563 85 |
| September, | 2,650 | 1,327 84 | 422 40 | 4,400 24 |
| December, | 2,660 | 1,032 41 | 603 71 | 4,286 12 |
| Dollars, | 10,600 | 5,193 33 | 1,912 62 | |
| Amount, | | | | \$17,705 95 |

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,
Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, 31st December, 1803.

BENJAMIN RUSH.

A Statement of the gain on Copper coined at the Mint of the United States, from the 1st January to the 31st December, 1803.

| | | | | | | |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|---------------------------------------|------------|
| 1802. Dec'r. 31, | - | 5,298 75 | A unt remaining in hands of the chief coiner, as per abstract rendered, on which there was a profit of | - | 1,102 96 | |
| 1803. Feb'y. 22, | - | - | Deduct, returned by him in the spoiled planchettes, | 27 70 | | |
| | | | Allowed to him for difference of weight, | - 109 05 | on copper deliver'd him | 136 75 |
| | 5,162 00 | 136 75 | | | | 966 21 |
| " 23, | - | 17,132 50 | Amount of invoice of copper entered 31st Dccember, 1802, and delivered to chief coiner this day, on which there was a profit of | - | 3,746 34 | |
| Aug't. 8, | - | - | Deduct, returned by him in spoiled planchettes, | - 34 66 | | |
| | | | Allowed to him for difference of weight, | - 186 31 | [since 23d Feb'y. on copper delivered | 220 97 |
| | 16,911 53 | 220 97 | | | | 3,525 37 |
| " 8, | 29 50 | - | Half cents received from the chief coiner, made from the spoiled planchettes, | - | - | 29 50 |
| Nov. 7, | - | 14,050 83 | Amount of invoice of copper delivered to chief coiner this day, on which there is a profit of | - | 2,603 50 | |
| Dec'r. 31, | - | 10,950 93 | Deduct so much yet remaining in hands of chief coiner, uncoined, which will take a proportion of above profit, | - | 2,029 10 | 574 40 |
| | 3,100 00 | | | | | |
| | 25,203 03 | - | Amount of copper coined in 1803. | | | |
| | | | Amount of profit in coining said sum, | - | | \$5,095 48 |

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,
Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, 31st December, 1803.

BENJAMIN RUSH.

REMISSION OF DUTIES.

COMMUNICATED TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, JANUARY 23, 1804.

Report of the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures, on the the petition of Samuel Corp, referred on the 13th January.

The petitioner, in August, 1799, was consignee of the ship Chesapeake, bound from London to New York, with a cargo of European goods, destined for the New Orleans market. It was his intention to have made an entry thereof, for exportation accordingly, at the custom house in New York, to avoid the payment of the impost there, and avail himself of the exemption therefrom, which the law of his country permitted.

When the petitioner went to the custom house, after the arrival of the ship, it was still his intention not to land any part of the cargo in the United States; and the captain had also made a declaration upon his manifest, of an intention to export. These precautions having been duly and openly made, the petitioner hoped his merchandise would have been exempted from duties.

The ship, however, on her passage to New York, had been visited by a revenue officer of New London, who had demanded of the captain a copy of his manifest. This had been given to the officer; but the captain did not express thereon, that the cargo was intended for exportation.

By reason of this variance in the copy of the manifest, the collector of the port of New York obliged the petitioner to give bonds for the duties on the cargo. These bonds, it was then conceived, would be of little inconvenience to him, as he could be relieved from the duties by afterwards exporting the merchandise: the collector only retaining for the United States, the customary drawback on the debentures.

Believing now that the business was in a safe and proper train, the petitioner did not think it necessary to make an application to the Secretary of the Treasury for relief. But, with the exception of a few casks of shot, which he took out of the ship, he exported the whole cargo, without unlading it, directly to New Orleans. There, duties were paid on it to the Spanish Government, and no part appears to have been relanded in the United States.

Afterwards, on applying for payment of the three debentures, which had been issued to him by the collector, he could obtain payment for no more than one. The payment of the other two has been refused, under the act of March, 1799, prohibiting the allowance of debentures for drawback on merchandise exported to foreign dominions contiguous to the United States, as Louisiana then was.

The relief solicited by the petitioner is for the amount of the two remaining debentures, which he now holds. It appears to the committee that the ship sailed from Europe in January, 1799. At that time the collection law of 1790 was in force. That statute did not require that the declaration to export should be stated by the captain, on the manifest first exhibited. The captain therefore acted according to the law of his country, at the time he sailed; and he could not be presumed to know what alterations had been made during his absence.

The whole series of the transactions appears to have been fair and candid, on the part of the petitioner. He has shewn the utmost respect and obedience to the laws. The collector and naval officer entertain no doubts of his original intention to export the merchandise in question; and if, as the committee suppose, the petitioner ought to have been originally excused from entering his merchandise, and giving bonds for duties on the same, then he clearly is entitled to a reimbursement of the money, which he has been obliged to pay in satisfaction of those bonds. It is, therefore, the opinion of the committee,

That the request of the petitioner is reasonable, and that he ought to be relieved.